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The eighth annual contest of the Illinois Oratorical Association was held at Bloomington on the 14th inst. The first prize was won by Mr. F. G. Hanchett, of the Chicago University. His subject was "The old and the new civilizations." Judging from the reports that come to us in our Illinois exchanges, the convention was anything but a harmonious one. From every side there comes up the cry that the visitors were shamefully treated by the students of Wesleyan University. A banquet had been prepared by the Wesleyans, to which an admission fee was charged the visitors. This was thought to be rather a cool way of entertaining visitors, and consequently many of them "kicked" and would not attend the banquet. This was the beginning of hostilities which led to a general row.

The musical art seems to have a very peculiar effect upon many who study it. There is something about music which seems to "strike in," and the baneful results of the attack show themselves whenever the patient practices the art. For instance, a young lady goes to Chicago and spends several months studying vocal music. She returns to her country home, bringing with her the knowledge of lessons well learned according to her style. Expectant friends request her to favor them with a song, whereupon the young lady strikes an attitude beside the piano. While the accompanist plays the introduction, the singer works up her feelings. Then, as she begins to warble, the effects of that which has "struck in" becomes visible. Her eyes roll in their sockets in a horrible manner,

now seeking the ceiling, now gazing homesick-like into space, now resting upon a spot in the carpet, and finally, as the last trill sounds through the room, closing in a weary, sleepy manner. In the meantime she stutters on every "r" if she doesn't pronounce it "ah," twists her neck, bends her body, and in other ways shows very clearly that something troubles her inside. The sounds she makes are very melodious, and it would seem that they would have a tendency to cause graceful motions of face and form, but the contrary seems to be the case with many. Not ladies alone, but those of the stronger sex, are sometimes thus affected, and instrumentalists are attacked as well as vocalists. The fact that many, if not all, of the best musicians have none of this silliness, leads the writer hereof to believe that it is a mistake of the small fry and not a necessary accompaniment of good music. Anything that does not add to the good effects of music, certainly detracts from its value, and ought to be omitted. The musical art is grand enough to merit the expenditure of one's best powers and most noble efforts in its study and practice. Trifling is not an attribute of this art, since nothing trifling is grand, and if musicians would enter into the true spirit of their art, they would be raised instead of degraded.

RETROSPECTION is the source which feeds present action and directs future hopes. That traveler is above all most unfortunate who has no time to stand on the hill-top and look back on the path he has traveled. A view from some distant point of observation is more comprehensive than an inspection of particulars immediately surrounding us. It is, to say the least, very unfortunate that college students haven't time to look backwards. This misfortune is either a necessary result of a college course of study, or else it is a result occasioned by its general abuse; it is more natural to think it is the former. We go to college, and are crowded through the four years like cattle through a gangway. The result is, we suddenly plunge into the sea of actual life, with our diplomas for our sails completely scared out at the transition. What we want is more time for assimilation. The idea of frantically hurrying from study to study, and from one

term's work to the next, through a period of years, is entirely nonsensical. We should not attempt any more work than we can do easily. We doubt the practicability of trying to learn anything, against the reception of which all our tastes and inclination rebel. The Lord intended that the successful man should be a specialist. Any student that attempts to digest all the details of college studies, regardless of his own likes and dislikes, is like a blind, naked fledgling, sitting in the nest with his mouth open, waiting for anything and everything to be placed in it. All the difference is that Providence has arranged it so that the bird receives only the food that it can assimilate, while the student has to suffer the cramps of indigestion. Permanent growth is slow. Haste and worry in our school work can bring no result but shattered nerves and poor health. We are here to prepare for life. Let every student make a specialty of those studies which will give him the most benefit for his chosen work, and let the minute details of other studies go. If any individual, who has attained the age requisite for admission to college, does not yet know what he is going to work at in this world, the best thing he can do is to stop all else, and sit down and settle that question immediately. Our professors may wish us to make a specialty of every study, but even they themselves must confess that they are best at only one thing, and that their pre-eminence in their respective departments of knowledge is due to the fact that they have followed their natural inclinations, and made a specialty of those studies which they best liked. As specialists, we may have some time for retrospection. All is not hurry and confusion, knowledge acquired is not chaotic. Every new fact may be compared with those already gained. Relations may be established, and what little we do know will have more symmetry and strength.

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ACADEMY COLUMN.

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Elva Colony, one of Johnson county's best teachers, is teaching at North Liberty.

C. C. Lester has returned to his home at West Liberty, on account of poor health.

J. C. Blythin is teaching. We hope he meets with the success which he so well merits.

C. R. Zimmerman, formerly a student of the Academy, is teaching his first term near Amish. We wish him success.

The Academy is represented in the by the following persons: J. A. White, Thos. O'Connor, J. H. Popejoy, and T. B. Lutz.

D. W. Evans, Class of '81, was in the city last Tuesday, visiting his friends. He is meeting with good success as a teacher.

A. J. Sayre has left school on account of poor health—probably for the year. He has been known during his attendance at the Academy as a hard-working and faithful student.

Anson Hukill, at one time a student of the Academy, and who has since been teaching, called at the Academy last Thursday. We are glad to have old students call and see how we are prospering.

Every student should engage in literary work regardless of the time he expects, to attend school; it will be found beneficial in after life. Many students having the best standing in school, meet with the least success, because they have neglected literary work, and are unable to impart the knowledge which they, by their diligence, have acquired. Quite a number of students in the University Preparatory refuse to take part in society work; whether they expect to spend four years in the University without taking part in society work, we know not, or whether they feel competent to enter University societies without previous preparation.

Programme of Athenian Society for November 4th, '81.

MUSIC.

Oration—W. L. Thomas.

Declamation—Andrew Hubur.

Debate—Question: *Resolved, That War is Unjustifiable.*

Affirmative—{ L. D. Hobson,
J. M. Henry.

Negative—{ N. C. Young,
Warren White.

Declamation—W. Mouser.

Oration—Ed. Moore.

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THAT AMATEUR FLUTE.

Hear the fluter with his flute—
Silver flute!
Oh, what a world of wailing is awakened by his
toot!
How it demi-semiquavers
On the maddened air of night!
And defieeth all endeavors
To escape the sound or sight
Of the flute, flute, flute,
With its tootle, tootle, toot—
With reiterated tootings of exasperated toots,
The long-protracted tootelings of agonizing
toots,
Of the flute, flute, flute, flute,
Flute, flute, flute,
And the wheezings and the spittings of its toots.
Should he get that other flute—
Golden flute—
Oh, what a deeper anguish will its presence in-
stitoot!
How his eyes to heaven he'll raise,
As he plays,
All the days!
How he'll stop us on our ways
With its praise!
And the people, oh, the people!
That don't live up in the steeples,
But inhabit Christian parlors
Where he visiteth and plays—
Where he plays, plays, plays,
In the cruelest of ways,
And he thinks we ought to listen,
And expects us to be mute,
Who would rather have the earache
Than the music of his flute—
Of his flute, flute, flute,
And the tootings of its toot—
Of the toots wherein he tooteleth its agonizing
toot,
Of the fluet, fluit, float,
Phlute, phlewt, phlewhit,
And the tootle-tootle-tooting of his toot.
—Boston Transcript.

BYRON.

Byron, the child of grief, came into this world with a wild and passionate temperament for his birthright, trouble and disgrace for his heritage.

The wild and rugged mountains, the dark and sombre scenes, which surrounded the home of his childhood, all left their impress upon his naturally gloomy and melancholy disposition. "The sublime disorder of his mind resembled the grand confusion of nature." His will was as free and unfettered as the mountain stream, upon whose bank he had so often meditated.

The influence of congenial society might have reconciled the conflicting traits of Byron's character in a healthful harmony; but this was not to be. The only companions of his youth were his own thoughts and melancholy reveries. His favorite pastime was

To sit on rocks, to muse o'er flood and fell,
To slowly trace the forest's shady scene,
Where things that own not man's dominion
dwell,
And mortal foot hath ne'er or rarely been.

But Byron's faults and virtues are alike eclipsed by the splendor of his genius. Some men have owed their intellectual ability to a system of mental culture; Byron's was the spontaneous gift of nature. Trammelled by no rules, bound to no literary school, Byron was

the true child of genius. Wasted with excess, broken down with trouble and affliction, her magic lamp still burned in his shattered frame with all its pristine brightness.

Some men are the exponents of their age; some, of their profession; Byron, of himself and the gloomy world of his dreams. His morbidly acute imagination and melancholy spirit made him a solitary being. He differed from the literary men of his time, as the mountain oak, beaten upon by the tempests, and torn by the upland blasts, differs in its rugged grandeur and desolation from the maple of the park in its artificial beauty and symmetry. In all the various characters of his career, misanthrope and sybarite, peer and patriot, in all he is the same Byron.

In vivacity of expression and splendor of imagery, Byron's poems are surpassed by none in the English language. He was as much superior to the so-called correct poets as nature is to art. Their poems were the fabrics of artistic skill; Byron's, the outpourings of a passionate soul. Pope's poems appealed to the cultured mind; Byron's, to the heart. The poetry of the correct poets is at times labored and tedious; Byron's descriptions are happy and concise; his apostrophe, grand. The whole poem breathes forth the weird romance of the author's mind.

Byron's poetry is the chorus to the tragedy of his life. His passions and emotions are there portrayed by the pen of the one who knew him best. To the appreciative reader of his poems, Byron's biography is unnecessary. In the stormy passions of Childe Harold, in the bitter despair of Manfred, the torments of the author's mind are faithfully shadowed forth.

Men's desires are generally in proportion to their ability. So it is with genius; the higher it mounts into the realms of thought, the more intense is the desire to attain that which lies beyond. The world itself fails to satisfy this insatiable aspiration. This it was that disturbed the tranquility of Byron's soul, and filled him with the unrest that drove him from clime to clime in search of the happiness he was never to find.

Byron's life, both public and private, was singularly unhappy. Living in a time of social reform, he excited the indignation of the social world by his disregard of their shallow and superficial customs. The literary magnates of that time hated him because he derided their opinions and despised

their dogmas. Then came the unhappy domestic scandal of his life. Prim Virtue was shocked. Her minions set up the hue and cry, nor ceased until they had exiled the poet from his native land. Thus these petty creatures vexed and reviled the mighty spirit whose greatness they could not comprehend.

In the midst of this storm of slander and persecution, Byron beheld the few loved ones of his heart, one by one, pass into that land, "from whose bourne no traveler returns." There was left no friendship within whose tranquil haven his tortured soul might seek refuge from the insults of a scornful world.

Alone and friendless, the heart of the exiled poet was filled with bitterness and woe. Isolated by his genius from the love and friendship which bless the lot of humbler mortals, with no congenial soul to whom he might impart his grief, Byron slowly drained the bitter dregs of life. Who can picture the agony of that sensitive soul? yet grand in its desolation, sublime in its despair!

When we contemplate the character of Byron, we must consider his trials and temptation. He who has loved but to see that love repulsed, who has had his brightest visions rudely dispelled, who has seen his fondest hopes lie shattered in the dust, who has had his whole life embittered by sadness and disappointment, let him, and him alone, pass judgment upon the life of Byron. As we reverence and admire his genius, let us cast the mantle of compassion o'er his sins.

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M. E. BAILEY, Editor.

The Homeopathic Medical Department opened its session at the usual time, the first Wednesday of October. Most of the Junior class and an encouraging number of new students are present. The opening remarks, addressed to the class by President Pickard, were so replete with sound advice and encouragement, that they will long be remembered by each earnest member of the class. The introductory lecture delivered by each Professor, referring to the work which his chair furnishes, was listened to with interest, and the student has commenced his routine of work fully convinced that each chair is most important, and that each Professor will be most exacting. Class officers for the ensuing term are: President, Wm. Ervin; Vice-President, C. G. Hullhurst; Secretary, F. M. Knight; Treasurer, Miss E. A. Taylor.

Dr. F. M. Somers, a graduate of last year, has located in this city. If proficiency in school work is a criterion to success in practice, he can look forward to a busy life.

Dr. H. Anderson, class '81, who has located at La Porte, Iowa, spent a short time in the city this week. Whether *alma mater* or some stronger attraction is the cause of his frequent visits, is a matter of conjecture.

We regret that G. Poland, who spent three winters in this Department, and is now a member of the Allopathic School, should have been the object of so much censure, which is almost unfounded. The cruel report which so injured him, has been proved to be the work of an enemy, an unfeeling jest being the only foundation it rested upon. Mr. P. has learned by an experience much sadder than he deserves, that the American people hold solemn things too sacred for jest.

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THE ÆSTHETIC AGONY.

My lank, limp lily, my long, lithe lily,
My languid lily love, fragile and thin,
With dank leaves dangling and flower flap chilly,
That shines like the shin of a Highland gilly!
Mottled and moist as a cold toad's skin!
Lustrous and leper-white, splendid and splay!
Art thou not Utter? and wholly akin
To my own wan soul and my own wan chin,
And my own wan nose tip, tilted to sway
The peacock's feather, sweeter than sin,
That I bought for a half-penny yesterday?

My long, lithe lily, my languid lily,
My lank, limp, lily-love, how shall I win—
Woo thee to wink at me? Silver lily,
How shall I sing to thee, softly, or shrilly?
What shall I weave for thee—which shall I spin—

Rondel, or rondeau, or virelay?
Shall I buzz like bee, with my face thrust in
Thy choice, chaste chalice, or choose me a tin
Trumpet, or touchingly, tenderly play
On the weird bird-whistle, sweeter than sin,
That I bought for a half-penny yesterday?

My languid lily, my lank, limp lily,
My long, lithe, lily-love, men may grin—
Say that I'm soft and supremely silly—
What care I while you whisper stilly;
What care I, while you smile? Not a pin!
While you smile, while you whisper—'tis sweet
to decay!

I have watered with chlorodine, tears of chagrin,
The churchyard mould I have planted thee in,
Upside down, in an intense way,
In a rough red flowerpot, sweeter than sin,
That I bought for a half-penny yesterday! M.

Mr. Vincent, at present a student of Ames College, will enter the University in a short time, and will organize a class in "Takigraphy." Mr. Vincent is a successful teacher of this excellent system of short-hand writing, and we bespeak for him success in his undertaking here. Below is the alphabet of the system he teaches:

THE ALPHABET OF TAKIGRAPHY.

CONSONANTS.

b as in bib	— th as in this
p " pip	— ch " chin
— g " gig	— m " main
— k " kick	— n " noun
— d " did	— ng " sing
— t " tat	— l " lull
) v " vine	— r " rape
) f " fife	— w " we
(s " azure	— y " you
(sh " show	— h " him
— z " zone	— j " judge
— c " cis	— ch " church

VOWELS.

o e as in era	o i as in pity
c a " ac	o " egg
ai " air	u a " am
u a " are	— u " full
o " do	— u " us
o " no	— u " on
a " fall	o i " ice
oi " oil	— u " new
ow " now	

NOTE.—Observe, that the consonant curves are quarter circles and the vocal curves half circles. The dash vowels have the same direction as the corresponding large letters. The vowels in the first column are long, in the second, all except *i* and *oi*, are short.

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LOCALS.

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Payne has lost his whistle.
How?

All the rage—to go up into the
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Did those pictures of chaos, pan-
demonium, etc., scare you?

Why doesn't some one send in a
poem on "Autumn Leaves?"

Cake! Juniors and Sophs. N.
B.—They are going to have one.

In medias res is the opening
verse of an epic poem by William
O.

A Sophomore defines bear-bait-
ing "baiting one bear to catch an-
other."

The oration on Byron in this is-
sue should be credited to Mr. W.
T. Shepard.

Subscriptions from the Medical
department are pouring in. *Mir-
abile dictu.*

The campus contains more dogs
to the square inch than any other
place in town.

The Sophs finished their work
in political economy yesterday,
that is those that passed.

The next time you go to a so-
ciable, don't, for want of excite-
ment, kick over the stove.

The Sophs are reported to have
won a victory in foot ball over the
Juniors some two weeks ago.

A scarf pin and several sleeve
buttons have been found and left
with the Librarian for identifica-
tion.

The game of football between
the Freshman and the Laws last
Saturday, resulted in a victory for
the latter.

Eton's scabbard, they say, needs
repairing. The extremity was
badly damaged in the first general
engagement.

The Soph. editor wishes to be
forgiven for forgetting it, and the

Junior editor wants to be treated
for forgetting it.

Oh, how Capt. Whipple's new
sword glitters! Ye lieutenants
and corporals, get a sheepskin and
see what ye can do.

Some of the Laws were gently
handed out of the Opera House
last Tuesday evening. Take off
your hats next time, gentlemen.

Medics, Academics, and Laws
especially are requested to remove
their hats on entering the theatre;
for, if you don't, that fellow will
fire you.

One of the Seniors dreamed the
other night that a friend sent him
a fine fifteen-dollar extension
stovepipe hat; but ah! it was only
a dream.

Guiteau should be hung, Grant
should be ostracized, Vennor
should not tell so many stories,
and Gladstone should be very,
very careful.

J. G. Holland writes the follow-
ing in Mrs. Hayes' album: "Wom-
en only can make wine-drinking
unfashionable, and heal the nation
of its curse."

Any tinkering tinner that mis-
took the chapel for a smoke-house
ought to be impaled on his solder-
ing iron and sent wandering like
goosey gander.

Prof. in Didactics.—"What do
you think, Miss H., of a teacher
calling on the one whom he sees
whispering?" Miss H.—"I think
that's real mean."

Subscriptions for THE VIDETTE-
REPORTER received by Mrs.
North, the University Librarian,
or by Mr. Fellows in Allin, Wil-
son & Co.'s bookstore.

Three things that irritate the
temper: A plow that will not
scour, a cow that kicks, and a
plank in the sidewalk that squirts
water through the augur hole.

It was thought, last Tuesday
night, that a fire had broken out
in the gallery of the Opera House,
but it proved to be only a few
sparks, which were soon "put
out."

Poor modest Mayor! He didn't
think that he had the authority to
disperse the mob that growled
around for two or three hours in
front of the barber shop last Sat-
urday night.

At the Presbyterian church next
Sabbath, the pastor will commence
a series of Sabbath evening dis-
courses, answering objections to
Christianity. Subject next Sab-
bath evening, "Atheism answered
by the teachings of intuition." All
are cordially invited.

The Seniors in astronomy are

soon to take observations. Upon
the announcement of this fact by
the Professor, one of the fair
members exclaimed: "Oh, won't
that be splendid!" The Professor
has duly warned the class of the
danger of the undertaking.

A lady told us a few days since
that she always supposed our "con-
tribution-box" in the central hall
was placed there for contributions
of money. We want it thorough-
ly understood that money is no ob-
ject to us, but items of interest for
the paper we prize above silver
and gold. No third-class poetry
need apply.

On account of the splendor of
of the day Wednesday, the cupola
on the central building was open
to the students for observation.
Many availed themselves of the
privilege and thoroughly enjoyed
the view of the surrounding coun-
try. We are sorry to learn that
because of the contemptible acts of
some parties we are not to enjoy
this privilege again.

It is proposed to repeat the
Edipus at Harvard this fall. The
money realized will be used in
founding an American School of
Greek Archaeology in Athens.
The prominent colleges of the
country will be invited to contrib-
ute. The school will be in com-
munication with the American
Archaeological Society and the ex-
ploring party at Assos. A house
is to be secured in Athens and the
professors of contributing colleges
will take turns of about two years
each at Athens, thus having un-
usual means, for original research.
—*Hobart Herald.*

Not often does it occur in the
history of our societies, that it be-
comes proper or even necessary to
shake a finger at the young men
in the rear of the hall. But last
Saturday evening, we think, in the
north hall, was one of those occa-
sions. An excellent programme
by the Erodolphians should have
elicited two or three boys' atten-
tion and respect, rather than their
half-suppressed laughter, and
yawning inattention. Tapping of
feet, conspicuous clapping of canes
and umbrellas, watch-trades, etc.,
are all well enough in their place,
but their place is not during the
sessions of entertainment.

A number of the students have
availed themselves of the opportu-
nity of seeing Iowa City from the
dome of the University. At this
time of the year such a view is
well calculated to please the eye.
The woods stretching far away in
the distance have taken on the
rich tints of autumn so beautiful to
behold, while the sparkling river,

reflecting the sunlight which occa-
sionally appears, adds beauty to
the scene. The tapering spires of
the city, the smoke of the manu-
factories forming clouds as it floats
away, the beautiful residences
peering through the trees, the
marble columns gleaming in the
cemetery by the hillside, complete
the picture of the "Athens of
Iowa." Iowa City is at all times
a beautiful place, but never so
beautiful as now.

PERSONALS.

Tom McAuley has been on the
sick list.

Lincoln Bent is located at Bed-
ford, teaching.

E. Joel has been a little unwell.
Nothing serious.

A. L. Eckley, '84, is in town
visiting his friends.

The father of Rush Lake called
upon him this week.

Secretary Windom has been re-
elected to the Senate.

J. E. Dodge has abandoned the
Law class. He is now at Wilton.

Ossian, is the geologist the out-
come of your instruction in natu-
ral science?

Halleck Seaman went home
this week to attend the wedding
of his sister.

Frank Tallant, brother of Ed.,
is in town visiting and will remain
until Monday.

Evans, Academy '81, passing
through the city, Monday, smiled
upon a reporter.

Crawford, Medic '81, rector of
the Davenport Mercy hospital, is
in town this week.

C. Ed. Robinson is home from
Grinnell to stay. He wears the
bronze of a granger.

Miss Maria Congden, though
not a student this year, is seen
quite often in the library.

It is rumored that Harvey Ing-
ham expects to make a flying visit
to the Athens of Iowa soon.

Miss Baker, of Des Moines, who
has been visiting the Misses Free-
man, returns to her home to-day.

H. C. Harris leaves school to as-
sume control of his father's drug-
store at Earlville. He will not re-
turn to graduate with his class.

J. H. Landes, at one time a stu-
dent of the University and now
principal of the Keosauqua schools,
rejoices in the possession of a male
heir.

Miss Sanderson, from Amboy,
Ill., and Mrs. Clark and husband,
from Ohio, respectively aunt and
sister of Miss Flora Clapp, are vis-
iting in town.

Dan. Coyle, Law '81, in addi-

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tion to his quite flattering success as a young lawyer, has been editing the temperance columns of the Humboldt Independent.

H. T. Matchett is thinking of attending the Iowa State University in the spring.—*Monmouth Collegian*. Come along, Mr. Matchett; you're welcome.

Mr. M. Cavanagh started for Dakota on last Monday. He will buy land for various parties in the Red River country, and will be absent two or three weeks.

A. L. Eckley, '74, was in the city Wednesday visiting his brother. He starts next week for New Mexico to join a surveying party. O. D. Wheeler, who is now in Arizona, will go with the same party.

L. K. Hunter, of the Homeopathic medical class of '80, writes from Leavenworth, Kan., that he is having a splendid practice, and that he is very much in love with his profession. We are glad to hear of your success, L. K.

A. J. Sayre has left school on account of ill health. He goes to Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Sayre, during the short time in the University, had established his reputation as a thorough student, and his classmates lament the loss of one of their best members.

LIBRARY NOTES.

The records of the library show that more than twice the number of books have been drawn up to this date as compared with that of previous years.

The library door is closed from 11 to 12 o'clock. Any person desiring to study in the reading room or library during that time, must be on hand when the hour is struck.

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The Homeopathic Medical Department (organized 1876), begins its regular course of lectures October 1, 1880, and ends February 28, 1882. Lecture fees, \$20. Demonstrator's fees, \$10. Matriculation fee, \$5. Two courses entitle the student to examination for the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For further information, apply to DR. A. C. COWPERTHWALTE, Dean of the Faculty.

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Miss L. A. Pierce is at Perryville, Rhode Island.

Drs. Allen and Melbourne, class '81, were at clinic Friday.

Gentlemen should attend theatres with uncovered heads.

An amusing consultation occurred at the surgical clinic last week.

The class was made joyful a few days ago by the return of H. Williams.

The greatest amount of wisdom can often be displayed in absolute silence.

The boys who can throw bandages hardest and hit the desired mark should receive a medal.

Prof. Farnsworth states that some persons strive for the habit of using tobacco, as they would to obtain a virtue.

According to a Massachusetts observer, red noses are due to mental exertion. It is said that medical students take theirs with sugar in it.

Sensational newspaper items furnish a topic upon which a considerable amount of "tongue energy" can waste its sweetness as upon the desert air.

A medical student one evening last week assisted in holding a gate upon its hinges, in front of our window for an indefinite length of time. The gate, strange to say, is uninjured.

Last week we stated that C. H. Penfield was at Grinnell. Later we have learned that he is occupying the position of First Assistant Physician at the Iowa Hospital for Insane at Independence.

The items that have appeared from time to time in the newspapers, during the last week, concerning Mr. Poland, are generally familiar to the public; and we will only add a word of comment, inasmuch as he is a member of this department. That he has been guilty of a grave impropriety is evident to all, but that he has merited the accusations brought against him no one at present believes. And whatever further may be said about the matter, we say let justice be done all parties in whatever position it may place them.

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When the bell strikes, announcing that the hour is up, the following, if we may judge by experience, will be a fair sample of the information gained by the gatherer of gems of thought: "I think she is so silly; always giggling." "The very same thing is true." "I threw in some little sarcastic remarks." "I will drop him a postal card." "History sustains the national policy." "Who will pay for it?" "The Roman Consul." "All the sympathy was on my side." "That is a fact." "My head aches." "I never was so dazed in my life; when I got up there I could not collect my thoughts at all." "I should smile." "Just let me take your name." "Fix it to suit yourself." "Just look at those the Heps turn out."

These gems, as here presented, shorn of their brilliant settings by a borrowed light from which they shone with redoubled splendor, may seem dull; and the thoughts to which they give rise may be limited. But gathered fresh from the lips of the authors, proclaimed in soft soprano or manly bass voices, and pitched high or low, according to the degree of enthusiasm of the speaker, they were strangely fraught with meaning. To the studious one who had come here for a quiet hour of reading, they meant disappointment in the loss of the hour; and he left the room with a feeling of having come through a hurricane of nonsense, only to find his own ideas shaken into one chaotic mass. Was it a casting of pearls before swine?

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Flew merrily through the town.

Oh, sweet were the gentle zephyrs
That blew from the balmy south,
And red were the lips and sweet the sips
That I took from the pretty mouth.

Her tiny waist was encircled
By my arm so strong and true,
Said I, "Whose ducky are you, love?"
"Yours," she murmured, "and whose are you?"

Oh, the hallowed hours of that evening!
Oh, the cruel caprice of Fate!
Her father, unkind, came up from behind,
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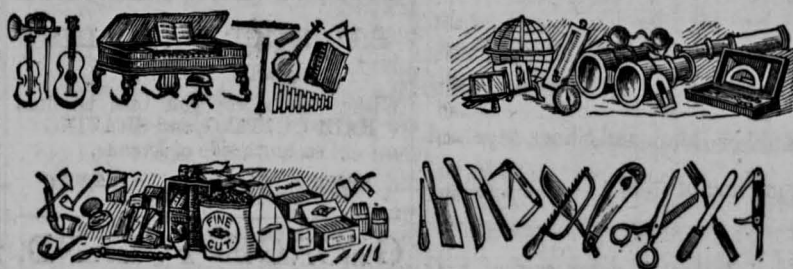
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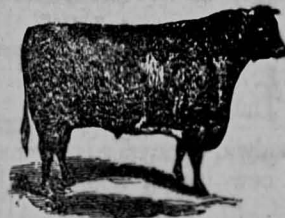
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J. C. McNERNEY, Editor.

A. L. Paschal, '78, visited the class Thursday.

Goodwin & Snyder is the name of a new firm at Wahpeton, Dakota.

Wm. O. Schmidt, '77, was recently elected member of the State Legislature from Scott county, on the Democratic ticket.

The readiness with which some of the students take to technical terms is surprising. One speaks of a married woman as a *femme convert*.

J. E. Dodge has left the class on account of ill health, and returned to his home at Falls City, Neb. We are sorry to lose any of our number.

Married, at the residence of the bride's mother, on Wednesday evening, October 10th, Mr. R. M. Hunter and Miss Olive A. Merrill, all of Butler Center, Ia. The above named gentleman will be remembered as a Law of '81.

W. D. Bruckart, Law of '72, made the class a call Monday. Mr. Bruckart is located at Independence, where he has won an enviable reputation in the legal profession. He is also widely known in State politics, being a distinguished member of the Republican party.

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